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SUBJECT: CSCE: GENEVA TALKS - MAY 13-17

1. THOUGH THE STAGE II TALKS AT GENEVA CONTINUE TO MAKE ONLY MINIMAL PROGRESS, THE SOVIETS HAVE BEGUN TO SHOW AT LEAST A DEGREE OF FLEXIBILITY ON THE PIVOTAL BASKET 3 ISSUES OF FAMILY REUNIFICATION AND INCREASED DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION. WHILE REFUSING TRULY SIGNIFICANT CONCESSIONS TO DATE, THE SOVIETS NONETHELESS CONTINUE TO PRESS HARD FOR CONCLUSION OF THE GENEVA TALKS IN JUNE IN ORDER TO PERMIT A STAGE III FINALE AT HELSINKI IN JULY. THEY HAVE SHARPLY ATTACKED RECENT RUMORS THAT MOSCOW MIGHT WANT TO POSTPONE THE HELSINKI GATHERING UNTIL EARLY AUTUMN.

2. POLITICAL AND SECURITY ISSUES -- AGENDA ITEM 1.  
BY PRIOR AGREEMENT, DISCUSSION HAS SHIFTED BACK FROM THE PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES -- THE  
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FIFTH PRINCIPLE IN A LIST OF TEN BEING DRAFTED -- TO

ALREADY PROVISIONALLY AGREED LANGUAGE ON TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY. AN INCONCLUSIVE SESSION WAS HELD ON THE INTERRELATIONSHIP OF ALL PRINCIPLES -- WHICH FRG INSISTS UPON TO LINK REFERENCES TO FRONTIER INVIOABILITY AND PEACEFUL BORDER CHANGES. FAR-REACHING ROMANIAN PROPOSALS DEALING WITH DISARMAMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF TROOPS ON FOREIGN TERRITORIES WERE STRONGLY OPPOSED BY

THE SOVIETS AND THEIR CLOSEST WARSAW PACT ALLIES, WHILE MANY WESTERN DELEGATIONS DEFENDED THE ROMANIAN VIEWS. ON CBMS, DRAFTING HAS COMMENCED ON THE TERMS OF PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF MILITARY MANEUVERS. MEANTIME, IN THE BONN GROUP, US, UK, FRENCH AND FRG REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN WEIGHING THE ADVISABILITY OF ISSUING A DISCLAIMER THAT CSCE RESULTS WOULD HAVE NO BEARING ON QUADRIPARTITE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN BERLIN.

3. ECONOMIC AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION -- AGENDA ITEM 2. SLOW BUT STEADY PROGRESS CONTINUED IN ALL AREAS HERE -- INCLUDING COMMERCIAL EXCHANGES, INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL JOINT PROGRAMS, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL LAW ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

4. HUMANITARIAN COOPERATION -- AGENDA ITEM 3. THE SOVIETS HAVE ASKED FOR RENEWAL OF INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS ON A BASKET 3 PREAMBLE. OUR DELEGATION SEES OUTLINES GRADUALLY EMERGING OF A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT ON FAMILY REUNIFICATION AND ACCESS TO PRINTED INFORMATION. THE US DELEGATION, WITH AN EYE ON OUR INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC POLITICAL REQUIREMENTS, HAS ARGUED THAT DECISIONS ON FAMILY REUNIFICATION SHOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO CSCE PARTICIPANT STATES ALONE. HOWEVER, THE SOVIETS HAVE OPPOSED THIS POSITION. ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES RELATING TO CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES, THERE WAS LIMITED PROGRESS DURING THE WEEK.

5. FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES -- AGENDA ITEM 4. IN REACTION TO CONTINUING SOVIET RESISTANCE TO WESTERN EUROPEAN PROPOSALS IN BASKET 3, WESTERN DELEGATIONS HAVE BEEN STALLING TALKS ON FOLLOW-UP. THE SOVIETS HAVE CONSE-  
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QUENTLY TURNED TOWARD NEUTRALS TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR SOME KIND OF FOLLOW-UP ARRANGEMENTS. RUSH  
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